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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified continuation application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification

Page 1, line 1, please add the following sentence: "The present application is a continuation of a co-pending application Serial No. 09/445,249, filed June 5, 2000, entitled "METHOD AND DEVICE FOR SEWAGE TREATMENT," the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

In the Claims

Please CANCEL claims 1-30.

Please ADD the following new claims:

31. A method of treating sewage; said method comprising:
separately collecting black water;
selectively performing liquid/solid separation of said black water; and
performing fermentation of solids of said black water.
32. A method of utilizing waste waters; said method comprising:
separately collecting faecal waste water with urine separation toilets;